

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Thomas Naratil et al.

Application No.: 09/617,853

Group: 3696

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Examiner: Colbert, Ella

Confirmation No.: 8319

Title: SYSTEM FOR TRADING FIXED INCOME FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS: U.S.  
TREASURY SECURITIES, LIQUID AGENCIES AND ZERO COUPON STRIPS

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111(a)(2), Applicants respectfully request entry of this Supplemental Amendment. The amendments to the claims and specification are presented herein for the adoption of certain examiner suggestions and to place this application in better form for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments be entered. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees due to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 16-2500.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 8.

Please amend the application as follows: